

Claims

The following is a copy of Applicant's claims that identifies language being added with underlining ("____") and language being deleted with strikethrough ("—"), as is applicable:

1-26. (Canceled)

27. (New) A method for providing links to services that are available on a local network, the method comprising:

receiving a request for web content;

querying the local network for information about the current environment;

checking for services that are available on the local network; and

creating web content for a network browser, the web content including at least one link to a service that is available on the local network.

28. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein receiving a request for web content comprises receiving a request from the network browser.

29. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein the request from the network browser is input by a user of the browser.

30. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein checking for services comprises checking for services that are available on the local network that are configured to access imaging data that belongs to a user of a computer on which the browser is executing.

31. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein checking for services comprises checking for services that are available on the local network that are configured to access imaging data stored in a personal imaging repository of the user.

32. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein checking for services comprises determining whether a web proxy service is available on the local network.

33. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising determining an active network address of a computer on which the browser is executing.

34. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising checking for devices that are connected to the local network.

35. (New) A system stored on a computer-readable medium, the system comprising:

logic configured to query the local network for information about the current environment;

logic configured to check for services that are available on the local network;
and

and logic configured to create web content for a network browser, the web content including at least one link to a service that is available on the local network.

36. (New) The system of claim 35, further comprising logic configured to receive a request for web content from the network browser.

37. (New) The system of claim 35, wherein the logic configured to check for services comprises logic configured to check for services that are configured to access imaging data stored in a personal imaging repository of a user of a computer on which the network browser executes.

38. (New) The system of claim 35, wherein the logic configured to check for services comprises logic configured to check for a web proxy service that is available on the local network.

39. (New) The system of claim 35, further comprising logic configured to determine an active network address of a computer on which the browser is executing.

40. (New) The system of claim 35, further comprising logic configured to check for devices that are connected to the local network.

41. (New) A computer, comprising:
a network browser that is configured to receive network content;
a personal imaging repository that is configured to store imaging data; and
a thin portal service that is configured to query a local network to which the computer is connected for information about the current environment, to check for imaging services that are available on the local network and that are configured to access the imaging data of the personal imaging repository, and to create web content for the network browser, the web content including at least one link to an imaging service that is available on the local network.

42. (New) The computer of claim 41, wherein the personal imaging repository comprises a composition store that stores imaging compositions and an imaging data store that stores imaging data.

43. (New) The computer of claim 42, wherein the composition store comprises link references to imaging data stored in the imaging data store.

44. (New) The computer of claim 41, further comprising a thin portal reference that identifies the thin portal service.

45. (New) The computer of claim 41, further comprising an extension that provides access to content received by the network browser to the personal imaging repository.

46. (New) The computer of claim 45, wherein the extension comprises part of the network browser.

47. (New) The computer of claim 45, wherein the extension accesses the personal imaging repository by referring to user information stored on the computer.

48. (New) The computer of claim 41, wherein the thin portal service is further configured to check for imaging devices that are available on the local network.

49. (New) The computer of claim 41, wherein the computer is a laptop computer.

50. (New) A system provided on a local network, comprising:

a computer connected to the local network, the computer including a network browser that is configured to receive network content, and a personal imaging repository that is configured to store imaging data; and

a server connected to the local network, the server including a thin portal service that is configured to check for imaging services that are available on the local network and that are configured to access the imaging data of the personal imaging repository, and to create web content for the network browser, the web content including at least one link to an imaging service that is available on the local network.

51. (New) A system provided on a local network, comprising:

a computer connected to the local network, the computer including a network browser that is configured to receive network content;

a storage server connected to the local network, the storage server including a personal imaging repository that is configured to store imaging data; and

a thin portal server connected to the local network, the thin portal server including a thin portal service that is configured to check for imaging services that are available on the local network and that are configured to access the imaging data of the personal imaging repository, and to create web content for the network browser, the web content including at least one link to an imaging service that is available on the local network.